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## Letters to the Editor

**To the Editor:** Soon Antigua & Barbuda will have its own archaeologist. Reg Murphy, ex Chairman of our Archaeological Society, through his experience of archaeology in Antigua, is now studying in Canada earning his Master's Degree. I have been attending Caribbean Archaeological Congresses for many years and have met few black archaeologists from the Eastern Caribbean, so Reg will be one of the first for the Eastern Caribbean and certainly the first born Antiguan. He is closely followed by a fellow Caribbean student at the University of Toronto, Toni Frederick, from Montserrat, working for her B.A. degree. So it seems we will not have to entirely rely on outside archaeologists for the future. Our next step is to save what we have left from the jaws of the bulldozer, so there WILL be something left for Caribbean archaeologists!

Desmond Nicholson Museum of Antigua & Barbuda.

**To the Editor:** At the SHAs this past January, I presented a paper entitled "African-American Archaeology in the Public Eye." In it I attempted to summarize the work of several organizations which were trying to increase and improve public participation at African-American sites. I concluded with suggestions for creating a network of professionals interested in sharing information about their triumphs and pitfalls in involving the public -- including, but not limited to, black Americans -- in their work on historic or archaeological sites. There are a lot of really good ideas and programs out there, but without a centralized "meeting place," it's hard to find out about them. The response so far has been very supportive. Now I'd like to approach the readership of this Newsletter. If you would like to participate in a network like the one described above, please contact me at this address: Dept. of Archaeological Research, Colonial Williamsburg Foundation, P.O. Box 1776, Williamsburg, VA 23187-1776. All of these ideas are very preliminary, so patience is encouraged and suggestions are welcome. Especially helpful would be information and ideas about preparing this network for the twenty-first century by getting it onto the information superhighway! Thank you in advance.

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